

**33093. DAMMARA ALBA Rumph.**

From Buitenzorg, Java. Presented by Mr. H. Wigman, Botanic Garden. Received March 9, 1912.

"This beautiful broad-leaved conifer, related to the noted kauri pine of New Zealand, is worthy of trial in Florida and southern California. Its pyramidal, ever-green character makes it particularly suitable for avenue planting." (*David Fairchild*.)

*Distribution*.—A tall tree belonging to the pine family, found in the islands of the Malay Archipelago.

**33094. BELOU MARMELOS (L.) Lyons.****Bael.**

From Peradeniya, Ceylon. Presented by Mr. H. F. Macmillan, Curator, Royal Botanic Garden. Received March 9, 1912.

See No. 24450 for description.

**33096. CHIOCOCCA ALBA (L.) Hitchc.**

From Palm Beach, Fla. Presented by Mr. J. B. Donnelly, manager, Clarke Estate. Received March 4, 1912.

"This plant when growing in the jungle climbs on trees, but when in the open and cut back a couple of times it makes a nice shrub that is covered with white berries which remain on all winter." (*Donnelly*.)

*Distribution*.—From the West Indies and Mexico, southward to Brazil and Peru.

**33097. FICUS CARICA L.****Caprifig.**

From Chenoua, Algeria. Presented by Dr. L. Trabut, Algiers, Algeria. Received March 12, 1912.

"Very early." (*Trabut*.)

**33098. PHASEOLUS CALCARATUS Roxb.**

From Cuba. Presented by Mr. Robert L. Luáces, Camaguey, who secured them from Mr. Luis de Megret, editor, El Agricultor Práctico, Guantanamo, Oriente, Cuba. Received March 12, 1912.

"Little Devil, or Mambí, bean. An indigenous legume, found growing wild in the woods of Oriente Province, especially in the valley of Guantanamo. A climbing vine of vigorous growth that covers and smothers the tree over which it grows; for this reason the native country people call it 'Little Devil.' It is also called 'Mambi' because it was discovered as an edible by the Cuban soldiers during the war of 1868-1878.

"It produces its fruits in clusters formed of eight or more small pods, each containing from six to eight beans. It starts to grow in early springtime and matures its fruit in autumn, the plant dying after fruiting. The pods must be gathered ripe. When allowed to dry on the vine they will burst, throwing the seed afar with much violence. The beans are very heavy, considering their small size, and are delicious in taste, selling in the local market at from 8 to 10 cents per pound." (*Megret*.)

**33099. STRYCHNOS sp.**

From Sombrero Negro, Nicaragua, near Rama. Collected by Mr. Carlos Berger, January, 1912. Received through Mr. W. E. Safford, Bureau of Plant Industry, March 12, 1912.

"Local name, *Madronito*. Roots used as a remedy for snake bites. Pulp of fruit edible." (*Safford*.)

<sup>1</sup>"'Mambi', name given the Cuban soldier during the war of 1868-1878, from man (English) and bi (Latin)." (*Luáces*.)